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SUBJ: ASSISTANCE IN CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY

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1. REFTEL DESCRIBES DEMISE OF INTERNATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY WITH REGARD TO TRAINING OF SAUDIS. WE WOULD GREATLY HOPE THAT WE CAN GIVE THE SAG A MORE POSITIVE RESPONSE THAN WE HAVE RECEIVED TO DATE. THE THREE TRAINEES WHO ARE NOW IN THE U.S. WILL FINISH THEIR ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM ON MAY 29. THEY WERE THEN SCHEDULED TO ENTER THE IPA FOR A 16-WEEK COURSE. AFTER FAA TRAINING THEY WOULD RETURN TO BECOME INSTRUCTORS IN AIRPORT SECURITY. A CHECK TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT FOR \$36,000 WAS PAID OVER BY THE SAG AS COMPENSATION FOR THE SCHEDULED TRAINING.

2. DIRECTOR OF AIRPORT AFFAIRS, DABBAGH (CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE) HAS ASKED WHETHER THAT \$36,000 CANNOT BE TRANSFERRED TO SOME PRIVATE FIRM WHICH CAN OFFER SUBSTITUTE TRAINING. FOR THE IPA COURSE, WE RECOGNIZE THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED, PER REFTEL, BUT IT WOULD SEEM TO US THAT WE ARE MORALLY OBLIGED TO MAKE AN ACTIVE EFFORT TO FIND A SUBSTITUTE PROGRAM FOR THE IPA PROGRAM; CAN THE FAA HELP IN THIS REGARD? SHOULD WE APPROACH THE ICAO IN MONTREAL?

3. THIS MATTER IS URGENT BECAUSE OF THE APPROACH OF THE END OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING PERIOD. ACTION
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REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT PLEASE CONTACT FAA AND/OR ICAO

IN EFFORT TO LOCATE SUBSTITUTE PROGRAM. PLEASE CONFIRM
DETAILS FOR TRANSFER OF ADVANCE PAYMENT FOR TRAINING.
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